BRIEF NEWS OF THE PAST WEEK

Condensed Dispatches from All Parts of the Two Hemispheres.

Interesting Events from Outside the State Presented in a Manner to and Commercial Importance.

President Rafael Reyes, of Colombia, has resigned.

Crete has raised the Greek flag and declared independence of Turkey.

The United States Steel corporation has increased the dividends on its common stock.

against the proposed visit of the czar to France. Colonel Leopold Markbreit, ex-min-

ister to Bolivia and mayor of Cincinnati, is dead.

crew escaped unhurt. The Wright aeroplane has a device to prevent accidents in case the ma-

chine should fall in water. Senator Stone, of Missouri, has been arrested at Baltimore for striking a negro waiter who did not serve the

senator just to suit him. Tourist travel to the Yellowstone park is so heavy that all hotels are full and the Oregon Short Line has stopped traffic to that place temporar-

Hubert Latham came within two miles of crossing the English channel in his aeroplane when an accident occurred to the machinery and he fell into the sea. He was rescued.

Canada is aeriously considering the advisability of building a navy.

A general strike is on at Barcelona, Spain, against the war in Morocco.

Hawaiian sugar planters propose to import Russian laborers to displace the Japs.

The battleship Michigan, the speed-

iest of her class, will go into commission in August. The chances seem good that Thaw

will be declared sane and released from the asylum. European pressure may yet cause

the railway lean. The assistant cashier of a Tipton,

Ind., bank, robbed it of \$60,000 and left for parts unknown.

during a trial flight before attempting to cross the English channel. The British cabinet has announced

that four more battleships of the Dreadnaught type will be built.

The ex-shah of Persia has been offered an annual pension of \$25,000 on condition that he leave the country. Japan has adopted a vigorous policy

against Corean insurgents. The death roll of the recent Gulf

storm has been increased to 41. A train struck an automobile at Me-

nominee, Mich., killing an entire family of three.

Galveston storm by using his cork legs to keep him afloat. Spain is on the verge of a verolution

because of English and clerical influence over the king.

A Seattle woman has secured a divorce because her husband has been too tired to work for 12 years.

Lightning struck a residence at American Forks, Utah, four times. One woman was killed and four other persons hurt.

During a balloon race at Newton, Ill., two of the big gas bags collided 2,000 feet in the air. One man's leg was badly crushed.

Raphael Manco, who served in the Crimean war, later served with "Chinese" General Gordon and then saw service in the Civil war, is dead. He had lived at Los Angeles for the past 25 years.

Premier Briand has formed a new French cabinet.

or of New York.

A cloudburst in Colorado killed two persons and did much damage to prop-

Premier Asquith says Britain should be warned against tariff by American and German experiences.

In an automobile race at Grand Rapids, Mich., 50 miles was made in 51 minutes and 22 seconds.

death would cause no surprise.

The serious condition of King Peter

A big forest fire is raging in the mountains near San Bernardino, Cal.

A Los Angeles judge in denying a divorce in which the plaintiffs' mother was involved said no house was big enough for a married couple and a mother-in-law.

The final count of dead in the Texas storm shows a loss of 25 lives. Communication has been established with all points and the property damage will be over \$1,000,000.

The final count of dead in the Texas the Mexican republic. Samuel E. years, as the splendid late rains that fell on this portion of the valley missed lajara, has presented formal claim for them entirely. The peach crop will be all grades; yearlings, best, \$4; fair to light and the hay harvest will be much below the average. The final count of dead in the Texas

MAKES NEW RECORD.

Orville Wright Remains in Air for More Than an Hour.

Washington, July 28.—The world's aeroplane record for two men, both as to time and distance, was broken last evening in a beautiful flight of 1 hour, 12 minutes and 40 seconds—upward of 50 miles, and at a speed averaging 40 miles an hour, by Orville Wright at Fort Myer, with Lieutenant Frank P. Lahm, of the army signal corps, as a passenger.

The former record was made last Catch the Eye of the Busy Reader year by his brother, Wilbur, at Le--Matters of National, Historical mans, France, with Professor Paintov, of the French institute, as passenger. That flight was I hour, 9 minutes and 31 seconds. Wilbur was an eager spectator of yesterday's flight.

The cheering that heralded the setting of a new mark in the conquest of the air was led by President Taft, who was an intensely interested spectator throughout the flight. This success was all important to the Wrights, in that it completed the first of two cruical tests of their machine imposed French Socialists have protested upon them by the United States gov-gainst the proposed visit of the czar ernment — the so-called "endurance test," which required them to remain one hour continuously in the air with one passenger. Orville did nearly 13 minutes better than that, and could have kept on indefinitely—three hours A coal train on the Denver & Rio and a half, the limit imposed by the Grande ran away in Utah, but the gasoline capacity of the supply tank.

GRAFT WAS HUGE.

Chicago Police Collected Nearly \$3,-

000,000 a Year for Protection. Chicago, July 28.-Astounding revelations follow the partial investigation of vice conditions in Chicago, made in connection with the present crusade against police graft. Many vicious industries were seen to be centered in several districts of the city in such proportions that the task of investigating coonditions in the territory over which Inspector McCann had jurisdiction is gigantic and will unfold to the grand jury's gaze a spectacle many times as loathsome as that presented by the levee west of the river.

Conservatively estimated, the annual amounts in graft alleged to be paid for police protection by resorts of many kinds in the city, including disorderly houses, hotels, flats, rooming houses, gambling houses, dance halls, and saloons, made a total of \$2,932,-760, nearly 5,000 places contributing to the sum, if such fund exists.

The largest part of this enormous revenue is said to be paid by resort keepers and others in what is known as the Twenty-second Levee district.

In addition to these amounts received from habitues of Twenty-second street levee, the First ward ball nets its organizers \$30,000 a year on the China to refuse Americans a share in average. Resort keepers and others are forced to contribute in the wholesale purchase of tickets and wine.

WILL DISTRIBUTE RICHES.

Hubert Latham damged his airship Reports Say Rockefeller Will Bestow

Millions Upon Poor People. New York, July 28.—That John D. Rockefeller, the oil king, is preparing to distribute a good part of his numerous millions in charity is predicted by those who profess to have acquaintance with the Rockefeller plans. It is said Rockefeller has already transferred many millions to his son, John D. Jr., so that the younger Rockefeller may have the honor and fame of being the dispenser of princely gifts.

According to the accepted version of the rumored plan, the money will be given directly to the poor through certain Rockefeller channels. Charitable institutions and colleges will not bene-One man saved his life in the recent fit to any extent by the projected philanthropy.

Like all other Rockefeller activities, the distribution of wealth to the masses will be handled by a company duly

incorporated. Just what method of charity will be followed has not been ascertained, but it is said the money will be given outright to the needy and that little will be handled as loans. Whatever loans may be made will be without interest.

Rockefeller refused to discuss the rumor in any part, but the activity of his agents has lent a certain color of truth to the report.

Texas to Entertain Taft. cat hunt and a jackrabbit chase are among the diversions planned for President Taft when he visits the Taft ranch near San Antonio in November. Joseph H. Green, superintendent of the large estate, told of the preparations being made for the entertainment. That the president may not be deprived of his favorite pastime, golf links are Roosevelt is being proposed for may- being hurried to completion. The erection of a pagoda and bathbouse on the gulf are among other improvements being made for President Taft.

Famine Adds to Troubles.

ing has occurred following the declaration of a general strike in protest against the military operations in Morocco and the dispatch to that country of large bodies of troops. Several persons have been killed an I many woundof Servia is arousing anxiety. His ed. The food supply has been cut off, resulting in great hardships and suffer- high. The Bridal Veil Lumber coming, especially among the poor. The prices are almost prohibitive.

Mexican Riots Kill Six.

Mexico City, July 28.—It is report ed that six persons are dead and 35 wounded as a result of the riots in Guadalajara, capital of the state of Jalisco, and the second largest city in

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

FRUITS MUST BE COOL.

by Proper Treatment.

Salem-That the California growers of small fruits have been saved \$1,- near Ontario is in excellent condition 000,000 a year for several years past this year and is expected to make a by the adoption of up-to-date methods record crop. While Malheur county of pre-cooling fruit for shipment to farmers do not give much attention to Eastern markets, is the statement of wheatgrowing as a general crop, nearly G. H. Powell, who, with Arnold V. every farmer has a small field, and the Stubenrauch, was the guest of the past few years dry farming has come Salem Fruit union and board of trade. The men are special representatives of benches, where wheat is one of the the United States Department of Agri- good crops. culture and for several years past have been engaged in pre-cooling and ship-ping experiments, largely in Califor-

Mr. Powell states that in California 75 per cent of the growers are organized into associations. One hundred local associations, representing ap proximately 5,000 growers, are affil ated with a large central organization, known as the California Fruit Growers' association, which handles all the fruit of the members from the time it leaves the tree until it reaches the markets. Mr. Powell stated that the soil and climatic conditions of this section of Oregon produce a remarkably solid fruit that possesses great merit for long distance shipping. He ex-plains that the difficulty in shipping and barley will be better than an averarises from two causes; first, the improper handling and preparation for shipment and including bruised and damaged fruit, and second, the slow cooling of fruit in transit. Fruit pleasant all spring and summer. placed warm in the cars continues to ripen for several days, when it becomes chilled, but not until it has become ripened too much to stand transportation and handling. Pre-cooling half miles from here, was burned to of fruit chills it at once and keeps it the ground while the manager and crew in the same condition until unloaded, as when picked.

Water for Oregon Land. Walla Walia - Private enterprise will take up and develop the irrigation project on the John Day and Deschutes rivers, which the government several years ago abandoned, after having spent thousands of dollars and several papers for the John Day Power comstate that the company is incorporated gation and power purposes. The land shippers will realize \$1 per box. covered lies almost wholly in Oregon and embraces parts of Umatilla, Morrow, Gilliam, Wasco and Sherman counties and part of Benton county,

School Heads to Meet June 28. Salem-The annual convention of tendent of public instruction, to meet in his office Monday, June 28. Among the topics to be considered are school supervision, how it may be made more effective; school libraries, how to use them; annual institutes, most important subject to emphasize for all institutes this year; school sanitation, what has been done, what should be done; school board convention, value of, how

State Apportions Water.

Richland-The principal topic of conversation and argument on the streets for the last few days was occasioned by the state water commission stepping in and apport oning the water to the shareholders of the Newst Young ditch. It has been the habit of late years for some of the farmers nearest the head of the ditch to flood their ranches, in some instances using twice the amount needed, while neighbors on the lower end of the canal were losing their crops for want of water.

Honey Ready to Gather.

Ontario-W. H. Pennington, the menced extracting this week the honey stored in his 260 beehives. Mr. Pennington's honey is famed all over the Northwest, as he ships extensively of San Antonio, Tex., July 28.-A wild that commodity, and it is made of the immense fields surrounding Ontario more than three carloads from this

Dufur Is To Advertise.

Valley Development league are beginning an advertising campaign for 28c per dozen. homeseekers. A booklet, now in the hands of the printer, will consist of 18 \(\frac{1}{2} \) \(\frac{1}{2} 40 pages, and will be profusely illustrated by photographs of the valley. This is the first of a series of booklets. Barcelona, July 28.—Barcelona is There is as good strawberry and fruit now under martial law. Serious riot-land here as anywhere in the state, it is said, and this is to be advertised.

> Lumber Company Complains. Salem-The Bridal Veil Lumber com pany has complained to the state railroad commission that the rates on lumber on the Mount Hood railroad are too choice, 24@25c. pany also claims that the Oregon Lumber company is owned by the railroad

Crops Fine at Wallows. Wallows-W. E. Dearing was in from Powwatka and reports good crops there, but not better than previous years, as the splendid late rains that fell on this portion of the valley missed

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Ontario-Wheat on the dry farms

This year the wheat is full, healthy and clean. Most of it will average, it is estimated, from 35 to 40 bushels to the acre, and the grain stands four to five feet high. On fields which have been cultivated for the first time this year it is not quite so thick as on older fields, but the entire average is good. There will be more wheat harvested near Ontario this year than ever be-

Dufur Harvest Begins.

Dufur.-Harvest is now in full blast here and the yield both in quality and quantity is much better than was ex pected. Until a week or so ago there had been no rain here since the middle age crop. The good yield is attributed to the fact that there have been no hot winds to dry the ground and the weather has been remarkably cool and

Clatskanie Sawmill Burns.

Clatskanie-The Kratz & Anderson shingle mill at Hazel Grove, one and a were attending the Clats'anie celebration. A spark from the sawdust pile, which was supposed to be safely out, is thought to have caused the damage. The mill was constructed only last winter and gave employment to a crew of ten men.

Cherries for Chicago Market.

Union-The first large consignment years' time, according to a statement of cherries will go forward from Cove made by Dr. N. G. Blalock in connec- this week when the Cove Mercantile tion with the filing of incorporation company will ship a straight car of Bings to the Chicago market. The pany. The papers have been filed and entire car will consist of fancy packed 10-pound boxes, and it is figured the at \$500,000 to generate water and elec- cherries will bring \$1.50 per box at tric power and to supply water for irri- auction in Chicago, at which price the

Editor Gets No-Work Job. Salem-Colonel E. Hofer will hold his job as a member of the board of regents of normal schools for six years more, notwithstanding the fact that the board's active labors are at an end, Governor Benson having reappointed county school superintendents has been the Salem newspaper man to the posicalled by J. H. Ackerman, superintion he has held for several years past.

Pupils Decrease in Wheeler.

Salem-According to the report of County School Superintendent H. J. Simmons, both the attendance and school population of Wheeler county are on the decrease. The attendance last year in Wheeler county was 651, this year it was 626. The population a year ago was 888, this year 875.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, nominal; club, \$1.15; valley, \$1.15. New crop—bluestem, \$1.05; club, \$1; Russian, 98c; valley, 97c. Corn-Whole, \$35 per ton; cracked,

Oats-No. 1 white, \$42 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$20@22 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$21 @23; mixed, \$16@20; alfalfa, \$14. Grain bags-5% c each.

Fruits-Cherries, 5@11c per pound gooseberries, 6c; peaches, 75c@\$1.25 per box; apricots, \$1.25@1.50; currants. Sc per pound; loganberries, \$1.25@1.50 crate; raspberries, \$1@ 1.15; black caps, \$1.50; watermelons, 80ca \$1 hundred; blackberries, 9a10c per pound.

Potatoes - \$1@1.75 per hundred;

new, 2@214c per pound. Vegetables—Beans, 6c; cabbage, finest alfalfa syrup, gathered in the 114@11/2c per pound; cauliflower, \$1 per dozen; lettuce, head, 25c; onions, Last year Mr. Pennington shipped 125@15c; peas, 5@7c per pound; radishes, 15c per dozen.

Butter-City creamery, extras, 29c; fancy outside creamery, 27@28c; store, 20c. Butter fat prices average 11cc Dufur-The officers of the Dufur per pound under regular butter prices. Eggs-Oregon ranch, candled, 2761

Poultry-Hens, 14@14%c; springs, 18 6 19e; roosters, 9@10e; ducks, young, 11@12e; geese, young, 9@10e; turkeys, 18c; squabs, \$2@2.25 per

Pork-Fancy, 10@11c per pound. Veal-Extras, 9c per pound; ordinary, 7628c; heavy, 7c.

Hops-1909 contracts, 15@16c per pound; 1908 crop, 11@12e; 1907 crop, 7c; 1906 crop, 4c.

Wool-Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound; valley, 23@25c; mohair, Cattle-Steers, top, \$4.50; fair to

good, 4@4.25; common, \$3.75@4; cows, top, \$3.50; fair to good, \$3@ and that this company gets a much 3.25; co lower rate than other shippers. 3.25; common to medium, \$2.50@2.75; calves, top, \$5@5.50; heavy, \$3.50@4; bulls and stags, \$2.75@3.25; common

Hoge - Best, \$8.25@8.50 fair to good, \$7.75@8; stockers, \$6@6.50; China fats, \$6.75@7.

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